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USING A VENDOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 10, 2004, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper